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There was a time not long ago when the kingdom of Cefiro was at peace, when its inhabitants knew nothing of heart-stopping fear or gut-wrenching terror. The magical prayers of benevolent Princess Emerald blessed the whole of the land with lash beauty, and protected the people from worry or harm. Life in Cefiro was life at its most idyllic, until the unthinkable occurred.

Emeralds most powerful guardian, Zagat, revealed his dark soul and betrayed the trust of his Princess. He stole her away and imprisoned her deep within an enormous fortress, which was concealed from view and suspended high above Cefiro by the power of Zagats black magic.

With her heart and spirit broken, Emeralds prayers ceased, and with them the powerful enchantments that bound tight the very fibric of Cefiro's existence. A world that had never before known the slightest hint of disharmony began a slow, spiraling plunge into chaos. Majestic mountain peaks spewed forth brimstone and hellfire; a gruesome assortment of demonic beasts invaded the countryside; the earth itself shook as if possessed with an uncontrollable rage.

Despite the desperate situation, a glimmer of hope yet remained. An ancient legend told of three awesome warriors

legend told of three avesome warrior summoned from another world and brought to Cefino. Their innate magical powers would be awakened they would recover the long-lost weapons known as the Machines' and they would use their combined strength to liberate the Princess. Cefino would be saved from total ambiliation. But the legend remained just that.

And as the kingdom of Cefiro inched evercloser todestruction, three teenage girls from private schools toured a Tokyo skyscraper, unaware of their ultimate destiny as the Magic Knights of a mystical realm.





### Hikaru

Hikaru is a simpleminded good-natured teenoger who refuses to fight unless and until she is provoked. Immersed in the ancient martial art of Kendo from an early age. Hikaru is extremely talented with a sword. She also possesses considerable talent in the art of sorcey, able to expertly wided the magic of fire. Hikaru has an innate ability to communicate with animals, a skill she calls upon frequently to decipher the cheerful chirpings of the adorable Mokona.

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## Umi

Unit has never had a problem voicing her opinion. She likes to tet everyone know exactly what's on her mind, which is usually the latest in high fashion or bounctir and behavin hairstyles. Most of Dmis schoolmates believe she's as shallow as a wading pool, but hikari and Fut know that on fextremely rare occasions. Umi can be thoughtful and caring toward others. When Umi is forced to fight, she likes to use her favorite blade, or cast the magic of water.



### Fuu

Fauls avery self-conscious person who so werly concerned about everything. She likes to be as hones and straightforward as she can without hurting anyone's feelings, but this leads he rot be wishly woods hy when it comes to making addection. Its only in the heat of bettle that Fau stops worrying and relies on her quick thinking and impressive skill with a bow. She also not draid to call upon the mogic of wind for assistance when things get diezy. Fau has even learned healing spells to help others recover from injuries.



# Cast of Characters



Clef

Cefiro, and its greatest tutor of the magical arts. Despite his very youthful appearance. Clef is well over 700 years old. He strives to help Hikaru, Umi, and Fuu become the legendary Magic Knights.



turning Escudo a magical mineral into powerful weapons She is also a storehouse of useful information. Along with Clef. Precia will help guide the girls in their auest



# Mokona

This mysterious being looks as innocent as a hunny however he is outte the opposite. Since he has the ability to communicate with Hikaru, he provides the girls with priceless information during their adventure



# Emerald.

dling her betraval and imprisonment quite well. Her only hope for freedom lies in the hands of three young women. Emerald hones that these three will have the courage and

determination to free her.



## Machines

In order to stop Zagat the would-be Magic Knights must find and release these weapons. Only by unlocking the power within themselves will Hikaru Umi and Fuu he able to call upon the Machines to stop Zagat



# Alcione

servant of the Princess. Alcione delights in the thought of using her magic on those who would dare to disobey Zagat. She especially seems to relish



# Ascot

Caldina's little brother is a snot-nosed magician who reluctantly tries to stop the Magic Knights' progress toward saving Princess Emerald. Though small of stature. Ascot is a potentially lethal foe.



## Rafarga

This kendo swordmaster has never been able to pull himself back out of the gutter. As the Princess' bodyguard, he was unable to save her from the hands of Zagat. Now he spends all his time wallowing in the depths of self-pity.



## Caldina

wench who loves to torment men with her most excellent bod. She and her younger brother, Ascot have given their allegiance to Zagat in the hopes that they will ride his coattails into positions of power.



# Zagat

Innova

Once the loval priest of the Princess. Zagat's mysterious madness has driven him to kidnap her. His magical powers and ability to motivate underlings are nothing short





he is tall. This talented swordsman seems to be completely enthralled with Fuu. Sparks are gonna





# Before You Begin

Before turning on the SEGA Saturn®, make sure it is properly connected according to the SEGA Saturn® instructions. Insert the CD, into the well of the CD tray and close the lid. Next, press the power button on the front of the unit. (Or if the unit is on, select the "Saturn" icon on the CD screen.) The title screen should appear If the unit fails to function correctly, turn it off. Check to see if the SEGA Saturn® is connected properly, then try again.

When you have finished playing, select SAVE before turning off the unit. Always make sure to turn off the SEGA Saturn® before removing a CD or attempting to insert

cartridges into the cartridge slot.

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with townspeople. str. Search for hidden items.

★ Use character's weapon.

\* Confirm menu commands

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Since a game's save data cannot be saved directly on a compact disc, the SEGA Saturn® is equipped with Internal Backup RAM. Most CD games have a save feature that uses it. If a game cannot be saved, it may be necessary to delete previously saved data or copy save data to a Backup RAM cartridge. If the Saturn's memory is full, make room on the Backup RAM by deleting unwanted save data files.

### Accessing the Memory Manager

To access the System Settings menu quickly, turn on the SEGA Saturn® and hold down the Right and Left Shift buttons on the controller. If the game unit is already turned on, press the RESET button while holding down the Left and Right Shift buttons. From the System Settings Screen, select Memory Manager.



From this screen, any or all of the save data files in the System Backup RAM can be deleted. The box below describes in detail how to delete save data. Remember, once save data is deleted, it can never be recovered,...so don't come crying to us if your most precious save goes bye-bye.

### Deleting Selected Data Deleting All Save Data

To delete specific save data on the SEGA Saturn® select 'CLEAR' from the System Mentory box and press the "A" button













To clear all of the save date files on the SEGA Saturn

crased. Once erased, it can crased NEVER be recovered

NOTE: If the message NOT REMOVED! appears, there may be a problem with the system's backup memory. For assistance in fixing this problem, call 1-800-SEE-SATURN



Starting the Game

If the START button is pressed during the opening animation, the Title Screen will appear. When "Press Start Button" is displayed, press the START button. After pressing the START button, choose from one of the following options: New Game or Load Game. These two options are described below.



## New Game



Start a new game.
To start a new game, select New Game.

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After selecting New Game, the game will start from the beginning. By paying close attention to the opening animation,



opening animation, enough information can be obtained to help save the Princess



## **Load Game**

Continue a previously saved game.
To continue a previously saved game, choose Load Game.
Press the "A" button.



The Load Screen will be displayed

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If a Backup RAM cartridge is installed, choose where the save data

is located: Internal RAM or Cartridge RAM. Press the 'Ar' button. In order to load games from the Backup RAM cartridge, the RAM cartridge, the RAM cartridge slot of the Saturn Pefore turning on the system. NEVER INSERT THE CARTRIDGE WHEN THE

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To load one of the files, first use the Direction Key to move the cursor to



the data file. To quickly jump to the top or bottom of the list, press the Right or Left Shift button. Once a data file has been selected, press the "A" button. The game will then begin from that save location. To cancel and return to the previous screen, press the "B" button.

# Playing the Game



After starting the game, Hikaru, Umi, and Puu will be faced with many different enemies that will try to stop them from saving the Princess. The key to winning the game is understanding each and every aspect of the Game Screen. Take the time to become familiar with it:

## Game Screen

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OCharacter. The character that the

Magic. The type of magic that the character is currently using.

S HP/MP. The top bar displays the character's hit points, and the bottom bar displays her magic points. The character's hit points decrease when she is injured, and her magic points decrease when she casts a spell. Some spells use more MP than others.

② Gem Stones. The number of gem stones collected during the quest. Gem stones can be used to purchase items.

Switch Characters

Each of the characters—Hikaru, Umi, and Fuuhave different abilities. It is therefore necessary to switch between all three characters in order to complete the game. For instance, it may be necessary to use a certain character's weapon or magic to defeat a boss. Also, if a character is near death, switch to another character until it is possible to head the



injured party member. To switch between characters, press the Right or Left Shift button until the desired character is selected.

# Daninge to Characters When attacked by monsters, the character in the



lead is the only one that will receive the damage. When she receives damage from a monster, her HP is decreased. When her HP becomes zero (0), the character is knocked senseless. When a character is senseless, she cannot be selected with the Right or

Left Shift buttons. If the HP of all three characters becomes zero (0), they will be sent back to the beginning of the last checkpoint.

# Start Henry

If the START button is pressed during the game, the Start Menu will appear. The Start Menu shows the following information: Character Escudo Level HP/MP Magic, Skills, Command Window, and Message Window. To access another character, simply press the Right or Left Shift buttone The Start Menu is described below



## Start Menu



Character. The character who is currently selected. To select another character press the Right or Left Shift buttons,

of Escudo

- 6 HP/MP. The character's current hi points and magic points.
- Magic. The mayic(s) that the character has memorized. To select a magic for the character to use, move the cursor to the desired magic. Press the "A" or "C" button. A brief description of the magic will be displayed in the Message Window.
- Skills. The skills that the character has learned. Throughout the game, the character will be able to master a number of special, and vitally important, skills, Once a skill has been mastered a brief description of that skill will be displayed in the Message Window.
- Command Window. Access the following commands: Illustrated Diary writing, Review Trip Memories, Item, Consult Clef. Settings.
- A Escudo Level. Shows the current level Message Window. Displays explanations of commands



# Command Window



the START button is pressed during the game. the Start Menu will be displayed. Located just above the Message Window on the Start Menu is the Command

Window. The Command Window allows the following commands to be accessed: Illustrated Diary Writing, Review Trip Memories, Item, Consult Clef, Settings,

## Illustrated Diary Writing

Saves the Game. The game can be saved at almost any time during the game. To save a game, press the START button to access the Start Menu. Next, select "Illustrated Diary Writing.\* The Save Screen will then be displayed.

If a Backup RAM cartridge is installed, choose where to save the data: Internal RAM or Cartridge RAM. Press the "A" or "C" button. To save games to the Backup RAM cartridge, first make sure that the RAM cartridge is firmly inserted into the cartridge slot of the Saturn before turning on the system. NEVER INSERT THE

CARTRIDGE WHEN THE UNIT IS TURNED ON!



To save the game, first use the Direction Key to move the cursor to the location in which the game will be saved. Press the "A" or "C" button. The game will be saved. To cancel and return to the previous screen, press the "B" button.

# **Review Trip Memories**







Read the character's diaries. Each of the characters have decided to keep a diary of all their exciting travels in Cefiro. After experiencing key events in the story, the characters will write new entries. Make sure to check their diaries frequently to receive added insight into the adventure. To listen to a character read their diary out loud, press the "A" button. The character will then read the diary entry. Move the Direction Key to the right or left to view other diary entries for the same character. Pressing the Left or Right Shift buttons will change to another character's diary. Finally, diaries that can be read without the risk of being caught!

# Command-Window

## Item

Displays items that have been collected during the game. There are a number of items that can be gathered during the game; these items can be bought, found, or received from characters encountered in Ceffro. Take the time to search through the towns and duneeous to find all of the items. The Item Screen is described below.

# Item Screen



- 1 Items. The items that are currently in the characters' inventory. To use an item, move the cursor to the desired item. Next, press the "A" or "C" button to use the item. To cancel, press the "B" button.
- Machines. Shows which Machines have been revived.
  - Rainbow Amulets. Displays which Rainbow Amulets have been gathered. These items can be traded at the Rainbow Junction Shop for other valuable, and sometimes priceless, items.
- Message Window. Displays explanations of commands.

# Consult Clef

"Where do I go next?" 'What should I do now?" 'I'm stuck in the game!" Whine, whine. When you're stumped for a solution, it's time to consult Clef. With over 700 years of life lessons under his belt, Clef is the perfect person to dish out advice. When this option is selected, Clef will offer his oninion as to what should be done next.





# Command Window

# Settings



Change game settings.
From the Settings Screen the
following options can be
changed: Message Speed,
Sound, and Change Operation.
These options are described at
right. To change a setting,
move the Direction Key to the
desired setting and press the
"A" or "C" button. To cancel
and return to the previous
screen, poress the "B" button.

# Message Speed

The speed that messages are printed on the screen. Choose from "SLOW," 
"NORMAL," or "FAST."

### Sound

Determines how the sound in the game is heard. Choose from either "STEREO" (Girl Power!) or "MONO" (No Power!)

### Change Operation

Controller configuration. Allows three different ways to set up the "L", "R", "X", "Y", and "Z" buttons, according to each girl's personal preference. There are also two different settings for the "A", "B", and "C" buttons

# Shop

Through the course of their many travels in the world of Cefiro, Hikaru, Umi, and Fuu will come across a number of shops in which they can purchase supplies for the trip. The characters must have enough Gem Stones to purchase items. There isn't any government assistance in Cefiro, so if the girls don't have enough Gem Stones, tough luck!





To purchase an item, follow these simple steps. After talking to the shopkeeper, a list of items available for sale will be listed in the Message Window. Use the Direction Key to move the character cursor to the item desired for purchase.

To purchase that item, press the "A", "B", or "C" button. The character must then confirm their decision to purchase the item. To confirm the decision to purchase the item, select "YBS." The item will be purchased and placed in the characters' inventory. To decline purchasing the item, select "NO." The item will not be purchased.





# Gem Stone

Gem Stones are acquired by defeating monsters. Use them to





## Magic Ball

Recover MP. A Magic Ball will recover a nortion of a character's magic points.



## Recover MP. The Magic Jewel will recover he magic power of all

Rainbow Amulet

### Collect all seven colors; red, orange, vellow green, blue, indigo, and numbe. The Rainbow Amulets can be traded at the Rainbow Junction Shop for special items. Find eight of each Amulet for a VERY special item...

# -CharacterSkills

# Jump

The character will jump when the "B" button is pressed. Press the "B" button when the charthe character cannot attack or when she's running use magic.

# The character will start to run

if she continues to walk in the same direction for some time. acter is running to make them Use the Direction Key to jump further. During a jump, change a character's direction

### Talk and Check

To progress in the game, it's important to speak with townspeople. Check out everything that looks suspicious; it just may unlock a secret area. open all the treasure boxes.



## Push



Magic Jewel A character's maximum

number of MP will be

increased by one and

their MP will be restored

Health Potion

Recover HP. This re-

covers the HP of all

three characters, as well.

as reviving any characters

that have been knocked senseless.

full power

Heart Jewel

A character's maximum

number of HP will be

increased by one, and

their HP will be fully re-

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### Climb

To have the character climb up or down a ladder press the Direction Key while on the ladder. Of course, when the character is climbing, she will be unable to run, jump, attack, and use magic (Duht)

### Attack

There are loads of monsters These slimeballs love little girls because they make them feel so bad. To attack an enemy, move the character close to the enemy and press the "A" button. That I teach em to keep their hands to themselves!

Power Attack



### Magic

To use a magic, press the 'C button. The character must first memorize a magic spell before. she will be able to use magic. Also, she must have enough magic points in order to use the selected magic

it's often better to really sock i to 'em. To accomplish this, hold down the "A" botton for a brief period of time to increase the character's attack power.



# Song Exrics

A bold, daring dream, built of hope, bound by chance, Into darina dreams. go the bold, conquering their fear.

Free yourself from bonds of circumstance a new reality it's so close erase the fear.

Challenge that which tries to limit what you seek to be. (backup: wanna feel free)

Crush bruising obstacles that feed your fear. anawing on hopes deep within clouding the dreams kept safely hidden.

The solitary burden you bear, can also be a key.



A shining ray of light. as darkness all consumes. only the bold will break free.



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Magic Knight Rayearth is based on a Japanese anime series that was normously popular. When we first heard about the game WAY back in 1995, we were seriously interested in doing the US version. Once we SAW the game, that was it, we had to do it. We were warned that a hard disk crash had wiped out some data after the Japanese version was finished, but we were confident the data could be rebuilt.

Fast forward stanos 30 months. It tooks us the bulks of his time to overcome problems with approval for the English vession's names (which are very close to the tunsilistented Japanese names in most cases), data that was missing from the hards are considered to the control of conversion. For these and other reasons, this has been, without doubt or question, the most grueling conversion we have ever attempted. But, it's done, and your extreme pattence as a Saturn owner has been rewarded now that you have it in your possession. So then, let's till about what you done for the US vestion.

One of the first areas that we targeted to fix was the save system. The original Japanese version only allowed three assets. Because the game is stuffed with tons of awesome animation, we thought it would be cool to allow a lot of saves so a player could save near favorite events and access them quickly. Therefore, the US version will allow assets unto the canactive of the built-in RAM or the External RAM carticles. whichever saves un to the canactive of the built-in RAM or the External RAM carticles.

the player chooses.

Another important change we made was in the area of slowdown. Poliza initially had a large degree of slowdown due to the large number of sprites being used and animated. By doing a sprite consolidation and reduction, we were able to improve this area and a number of others so that the slowdown is much less noticeable, if at all, with no perceptible change to the look and feel of the town. One area we weren't able to fix was in Rosen. Due to the multilevel structure of the town, we were unable to achieve much of an improvement under the current system. Forgive us, we tried.

When testing the game initially, we found that a large number of players found it very amonying that many, many people in towns talked to you. It slowed down the flow of the game. So, we just kept the Prologue audio up to Precia's mansion, then left in only inegame speech during key events. We used the CD space reclaimed to add a "audible during key events. We used the CD space reclaimed to add a "audible to the press of a button. This was much cooler because it became an optional feature that extended the game, instead of a mandatory one that slowed it down. The diary entries are also cented in the cirt's own handwritter, instead of a standard for a standard for a standard for the circumstance of the control of the circumstance of the

The Inpanete game also featured a quest for Rainhow anules. If the player got them all, they unlocked a music test called "Molorals, home." In the US seesion, we added our traditional outsides mode as another option that opens once all the annules are retrieved. This is the first time we've given players absolute control over the outsides play order, since ANY character's outside file can be played on demand. Outsides are one of our most orough "extract" We hone woull the seescial way we've immlemented.

it in this game.

Finally, the original Japanese logo had three gems morphing into the red lettering of the Japanese logo. Initially, we made a logo that allowed us to copy the look, and feel of the Japanese logo sequence of the opening animation. However, we were made aware of a logo created for the English Rayearth, so the opening animation was changed again to allow for the new logo's use. Unfortunately, due to the design of the logo, we couldn't incorporate the morph like the original Japanese opening. We also were not able to obtain the rights to the original opening song, so we made one that retained the "feel" of the original Dut was combitely new.

Chances are, this is the last SEGA Saturn game to be released in the US.

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